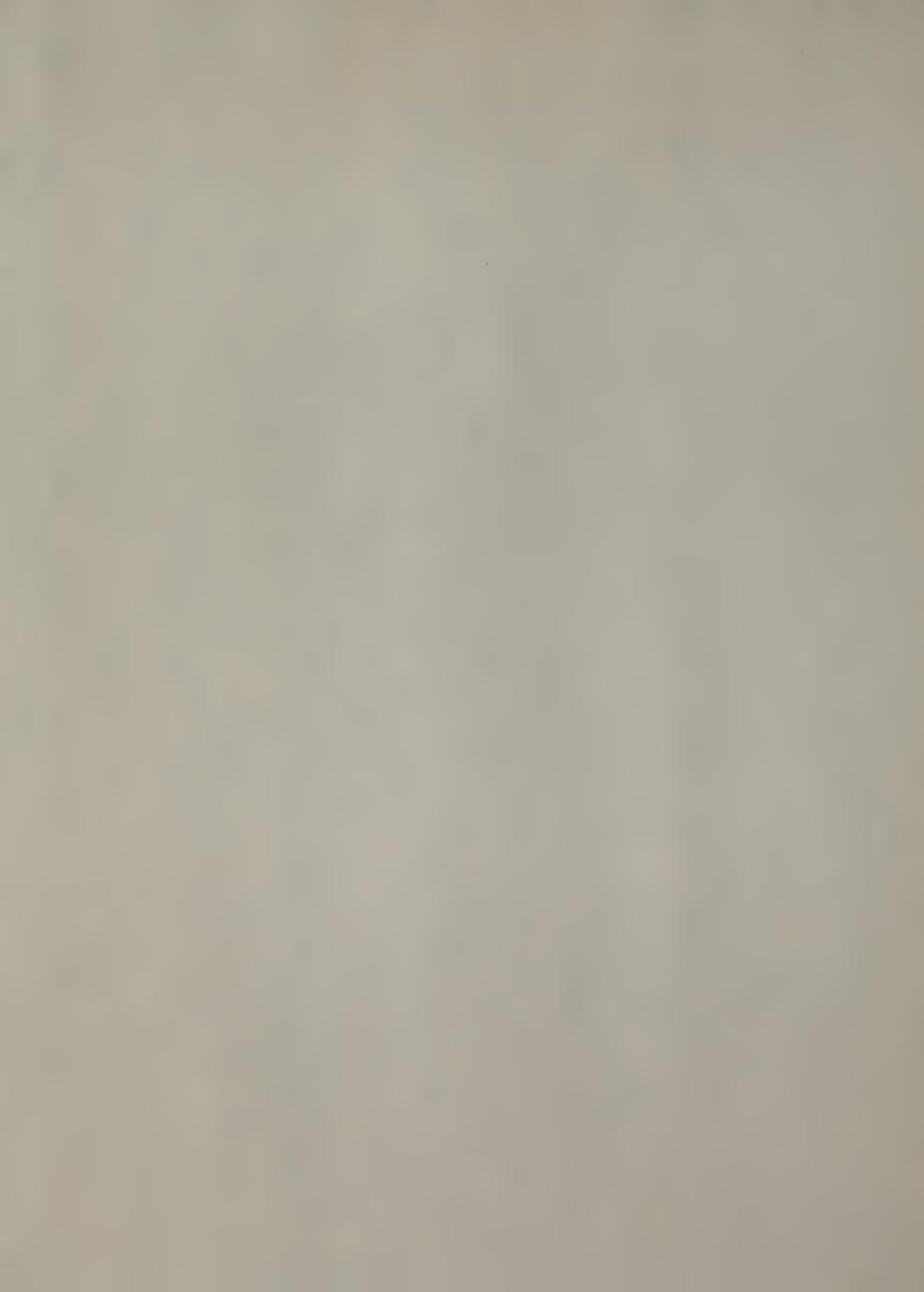


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PART II. (To be continued.)

ISAAC MAGRUDER

By Caleb Clarke Magruder, Md.

Isaac Magruder ⁵ (Nathan ⁴, John ³, Samuel ², Alexander ¹) born, Frederick Co., Md., 1755; died intestate, Prince George's Co., Md. 1808; married (1) Prince George's Co., Md. 1778, Sophia Baldwin, born Prince George's Co., Md. 1759; died intestate, Prince George's Co., Md. between 1798 and 1802.

Isaac Magruder ⁵ was private, 2nd Co., 29th Battalion, Montgomery Co., Md. Militia, Col. John Murdock, commanding, Aug. 29, 1777; subscribed to the "Patriot's Oath", Montgomery Co., Md., 1778; and was private, Capt. Jacob Duckett's Co., 34th Maryland Regiment Mch. 30, 1799—"French Menace."

Isaac Magruder and Sophia Baldwin had issue:

I. Thomas Magruder ⁶ born Montgomery Co., Md., March 24, 1779; died testate, Prince George's Co., Md., August 14, 1830; married Prince George's Co., Md., Jan. 4, 1800 (date of license), Mary Clarke, born Prince George's Co., Md. 1779; died intestate, Prince George's Co., Md., spring of 1864.

Thomas Magruder 6 was Sergeant, Capt. Jacob Duckett's Co., 34th Maryland Regiment March 30, 1799—"French Menace"—Private 14th Maryland Regiment Sept. 9, 1807; quartermaster of same when he participated in the Battle of Bladensburg, Aug. 24, 1814.

Thomas Magruder 6 and Mary Clarke had issue:

- 1. Thomas Baldwin Magruder (M. D. University of Md. 1821), born Sept. 25, 1800; died Aug. 22, 1885; married (1) Dec. 23, 1823 Elizabeth Harrington, born 1798; died July 5, 1844; issue:
 - a. William Thomas Magruder 8 born Jan. 16, 1825; died Dec. 8, 1889; married April 2, 1851 Maria Jane Hughes, born June 24, 1832; died Apr. 25, 1871; issue.
 - b. Samuel Calvert Magruder 8 born Mar. 12, 1827; died Aug. 7, 1828.
 - c. Joseph Moore Magruder 8 (Captain C. S. A., mortally wounded at Battle of Corinth, Miss.), born Sept. 28, 1830; died Mar. 19, 1863; married Feb. 12, 1852, Amanda Louise McCray, born Mch. 17, 1832; died May 2, 1853; issue.
- 1. Dr. Thomas Baldwin Magruder married (2) April 22, 1845 Sarah Olivia West (neé Dunbar), died Dec. 28, 1864; issue:

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- d. Isaac Dunbar Magruder 8 (C. S. A.), born Apr. 15, 1846; married Dec. 22, 1868 Martha Neal, born Nov. 28, 1848; died May 16, 1924; issue.
- e. Mary Magruder 8 born Sept. 18, 1847; died July 7, 1858.
- f. Robert Walter Magruder 8 born May 14, 1850; died Feb. 6, 1926, married (1) Jan. 22, 1880, Caroline Sims, born July 7, 1860; died Dec. 10, 1880; issue; married (2) Rose Yeiser (neé Montgomery), no issue; married (3) Nov. 24, 1898 Annie Greenway Humphreys (neé Neil) born Feb. 15, 1862, issue.
- g. Alice Magruder 8 born Nov. 22, 1852; married Dec. 28, 1876 Nicholas McDougall born Dec. 22, 1847; issue.
- h. Jennie Magruder 8 born Oct. 7, 1854; died Sept. 4, 1863.
- i. An unnamed infant.
- j. Herbert Staley Magruder 8 born Jan. 2, 1857; died April 26, 1927; married three times, issue.
- k. Charles Magruder 8 born Oct. 25, 1859; died Jan. 28, 1861.
- 1. Anna Thomas Magruder 8 born Feb. 24, 1862; died June 14, 1918; married Nov. 21, 1883 Thomas Magruder Wade born Oct. 24, 1860; issue.
- m. Rosa Magruder 8 born April 30, 1863.
- 2. Isaac Grandison Magruder, born July 1802; died May 8, 1847; married Oct. 24, 1837, Margaret Elizabeth Hill, born 1813; died Mch. 20, 1888; issue:
 - a. Emma Corbett Magruder 8, born Dec. 24, 1838; died May 2, 1900; married Dec. 8, 1875 William Wilson, Jr.; no issue.
 - b. Richard Hill Magruder *, born Dec. 23, 1840; died Sept. 22, 1884; married Nov. 18, 1875, Eugenia Duckett, born Nov. 21, 1857; died Dec. 8, 1923; issue.
 - c. Mary Frances Magruder⁸, born Dec. 25, 1842; died Nov. 1846.
 - d. Henrietta Magruder 8, born Mch. 15, 1845; died in infancy.
 - e. Isaac Grandison Magruder 8 and John Beall Magruder 8, born Sept. 15, 1846; died I. G. M., unmarried June 1, 1888; J. B. M. unmarried Sept. 3, 1870.
- 3. Sarah Magruder, born May 1804; died unmarried July 11, 1847.
- 4. Sophia Magruder 7, born May 6, 1806; died May 9, 1876; married May 8, 1826, Philip Hill, died Aug. 1870; issue:
 - a. Mary Anne Hill⁸, died Dec. 25, 1907; married May 1857 Dionytius Thaddeus Sheriff, died Nov. 1867, issue.
 - b. Sophia Eugenia Hill 8, died Mch. 14, 1883; married 1853 Basil Thomas Duckett, born 1825; died 1862; issue.
 - c. Richard Thomas Hill⁸ died 1895; married 1856, Elizabeth Fenwick, born Apr. 7, 1836; died July 6, 1902; issue.

d. Sarah Elizabeth Hill⁸, born Nov. 1835; died June 14, 1907; married Nov. 23, 1858, George Beall Sheriff, born Dec. 31, 1837; died June 18, 1918; issue.

e. William Isaac Hill⁸ (Lt. C. S. A.), born Dec. 28, 1836; died July 17, 1898; married Oct. 11, 1866 Henrietta Smith Sasscer,

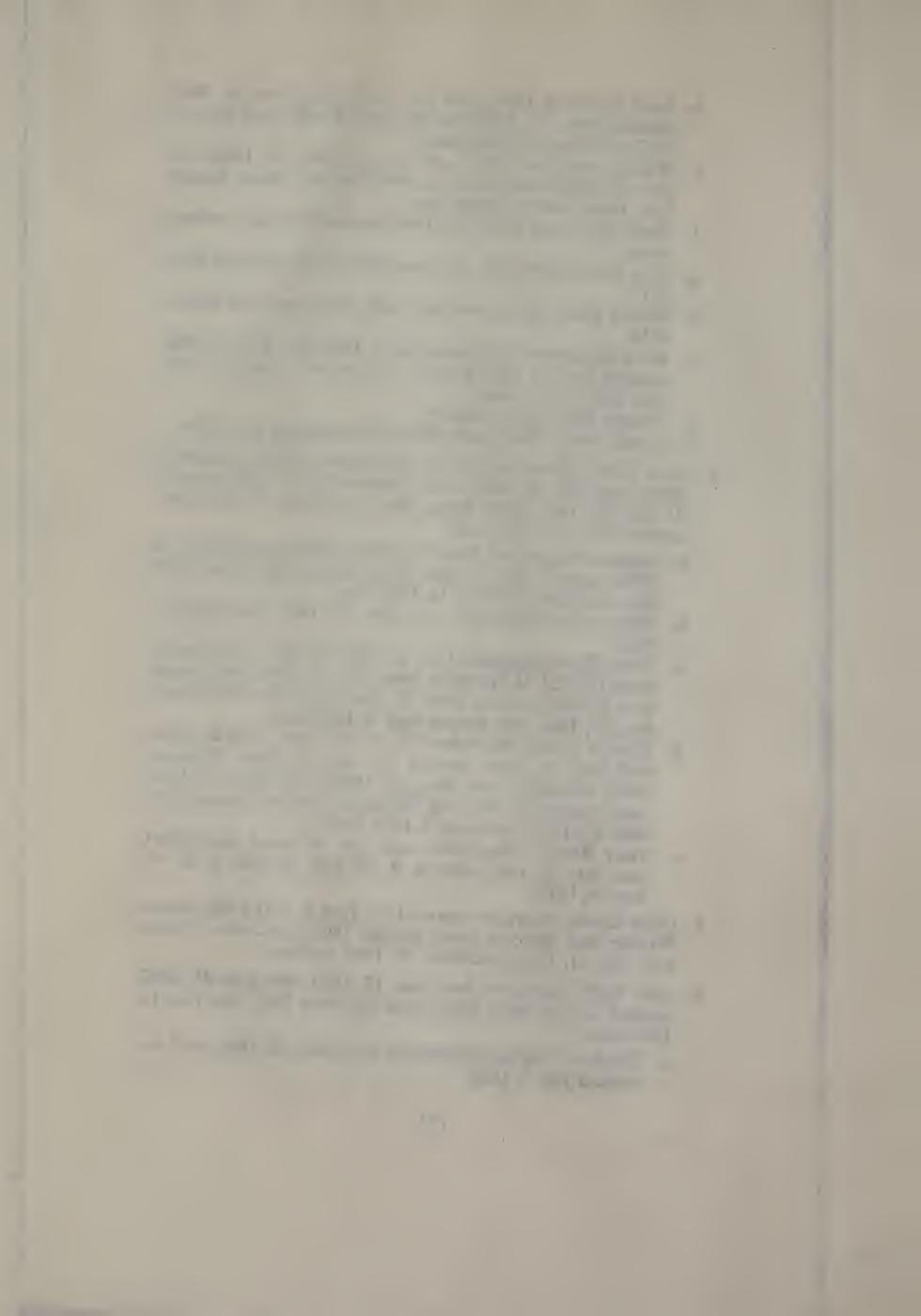
born 1840; died Oct. 1912; issue.

f. Philip Hill 8, born 1838; died 1910; married Victoria Craufurd; issue.

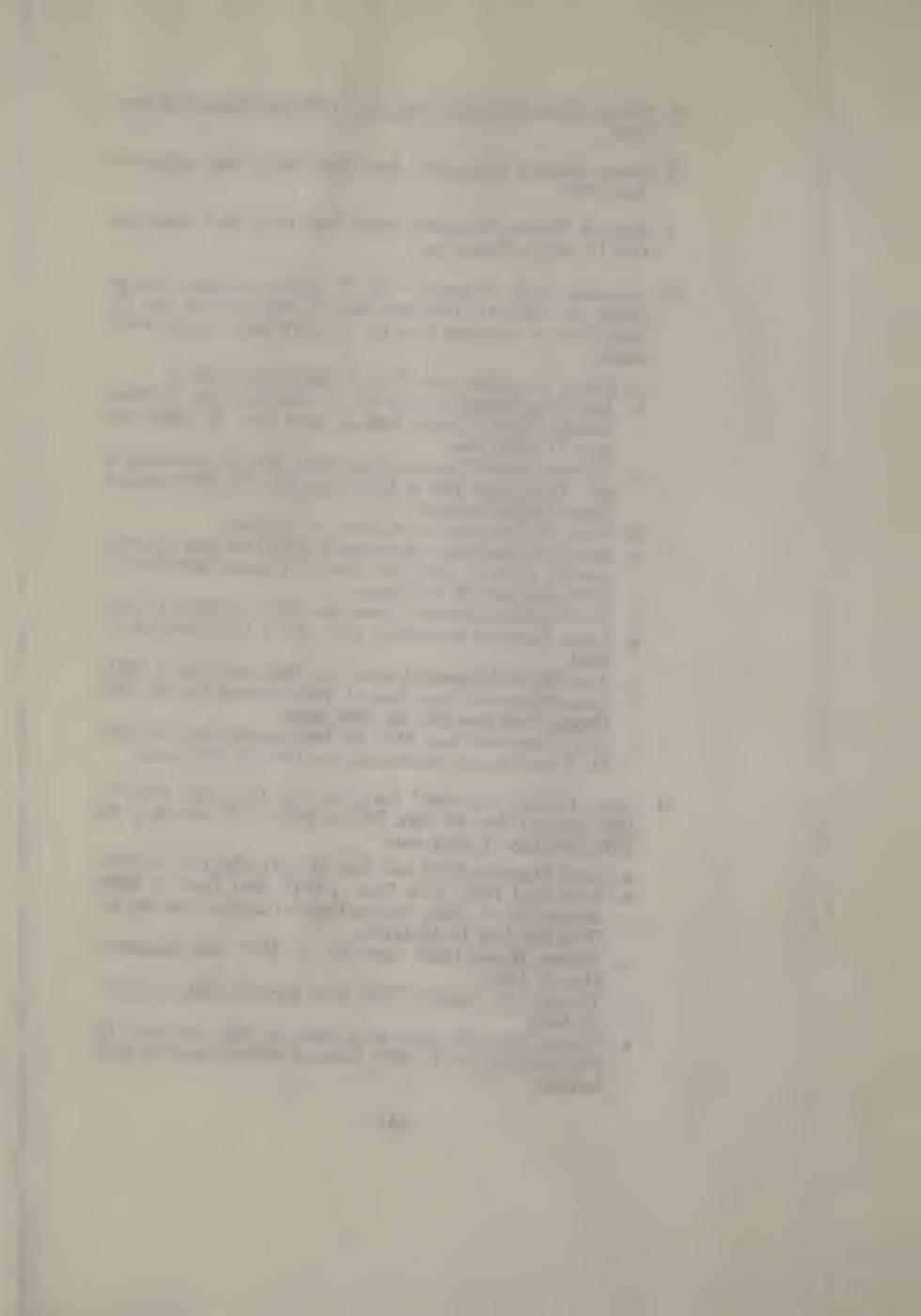
- g. John Beall Hill 8 (C. S. A.), born 1840; died unmarried Mch. 1917.
- h. Brooke Berry Hill⁸, born Apr. 1842; died unmarried Dec. 8, 1914.
- i. Sarah Katherine Hill⁸, born Jan. 1, 1847; died Feb. 2, 1910; married Dec. 12, 1874, Joseph L. Nalley, born Aug. 11, 1832; died July 2, 1895; issue.

. Thomas Hill 8 died in infancy.

- k. Joseph Austin Hill⁸, born 1850; died unmarried Dec. 1906.
- 5. Caleb Clarke Magruder 7 (A. M. Georgetown (D. C.) University 1834), born July 10, 1808; died intestate Apr. 5, 1884; married (1) May 28, 1833, Mary Sprigg Belt, born Mch. 9, 1812; died intestate Mch. 6, 1845; issue:
 - a. Augusta Magruder⁸, born May 1835; died testate May 30, 1898; married Apr. 3, 1856, Peter Hansbrough Hooe, born Aug. 20, 1820; died May 14, 1898; issue.
 - b. Thomas Belt Magruder 8, born Dec. 26, 1837; died Mch. 26, 1853.
 - c. Caleb Clarke Magruder 8 (A. B., 1858; A. M., 1861, Georgetown (D. C.) University), born Jan. 9, 1839; died testate June 2, 1923; married June 30, 1868 Bettie Rice Nalle, born Aug. 19, 1842; died testate Sept. 4, 1922; issue.
 - d. Edward Walter Magruder 8 (C. S. A.), born Aug. 20, 1840; died July 31, 1886; married (1) Apr. 10, 1866, Elizabeth Maria Mullikin, born Aug. 29, 1840; died May 27, 1882; issue; married (2) Nov. 18, 1885 Leila Gordon Osborne, born Mch. 23, 1855; died Sept. 5, 1912; issue.
 - e. Mary Rebecca Magruder 8 and John Marshall Magruder 8, born May 25, 1843; died M. R. M. July 30, 1843, J. M. M. July 24, 1843.
- 5. Caleb Clarke Magruder married (2) June 3, 1847 Sallie Beanes Waring; died 1866; no issue; married (3) Ellen Contee Turner, born July 31, 1828; died Mch. 16, 1896; no issue.
- 6. John Beall Magruder, born Jan. 15, 1810; died July 25, 1897, married Jan. 14, 1834, Mary Anne Hill, born 1810; died Feb. 11, 1877; issue:
 - a. Elizabeth Virginia Magruder⁸, born Oct. 23, 1834; died unmarried July 3, 1852.



- 7. Walter Smith Magruder ⁷ born Apr. 1812; died unmarried June 1832.
- 8. Staley Nicholls Magruder, born April 1814; died unmarried Sept. 1877.
- 9. Richard Weems Magruder, born Feb. 1816; died unmarried Oct. 15, 1836 in Mississippi.
- 10. Archibald Smith Magruder (M. D. Jefferson Medical College 1838), born Feb. 18, 1818; died May 1, 1863; married Jan. 23, 1844 Narcissa Adamson, born Jan. 25, 1819; died Aug. 25, 1903; issue:
 - a. Joseph Magruder 8, born Mch. 4, 1845; died in infancy.
 - b. Jane Penn Magruder 8, born Apr. 20, 1846; died Apr. 15, 1914; married Robert Carnan Billopp, born Feb. 27, 1840; died Sept. 11, 1909; issue.
 - c. Thomas Lynn Crittenden Magruder ⁸, (M. D. University of Md. 1867), born July 3, 1848, died Sept. 10, 1906; married Emma Miller; no issue.
 - d. Susan Hilleary Magruder 8, born Oct. 22, 1849.
 - e. Mary John Magruder 8, born Aug. 7, 1851; died Aug. 28, 1916; married June 27, 1883, Dr. Louis A. Grimes, born Nov. 2, 1839; died June 28, 1921; issue.
 - f. Ella Winifred Magruder 8, born Apr. 1853; died July 1, 1855.
 - g. Laura Josephine Magruder 8, born Feb. 3, 1855; died Feb. 7, 1859.
 - h. Alice Maude Magruder 8, born June 1857; died June 9, 1861.
 - i. Laura Magruder ⁸, born Aug. 11, 1859; married June 26, 1889 George Peter born Feb. 26, 1858; issue.
 - j. Julia Magruder 8, born Mch. 29, 1863; married Nov. 8, 1888, Dr. Henry Barnett McDonald, born Oct. 30, 1863; issue.
- 11. Mary Thomas Magruder, born May 24, 1820; died June 29, 1885; married Nov. 26, 1844, William Wilson Hill, born Aug. 30, 1808; died July 11, 1894; issue:
 - a. Sarah Magruder Hill 8, born Dec. 24, 1845; died Feb. 28, 1851.
 - b. Anne Reid Hill⁸, born Dec. 5, 1847; died July 29, 1890; married July 6, 1869, Charles Wright Gaddes, born Oct. 29, 1824; died July 18, 1914; issue.
 - c. William Walter Hill⁸, born Nov. 5, 1849; died unmarried May 25, 1907.
 - d. Thomas John Emmett Hill⁸, born Apr. 24, 1851; died Oct. 15, 1853.
 - e. Virginia Magruder Hill⁸, born Mch. 22, 1853; died Sept. 12, 1916; married Nov. 17, 1899, Edmund Wilson, born July 1853; no issue.



- f. Clement Clarke Hill⁸, born Feb. 20, 1855; married Apr. 21, 1887, Mary Josephine Neale, born July 7, 1859; died Dec. 1, 1923; issue.
- g. Edward Everett Hill⁸, born May 21, 1857; died June 22, 1922; married Oct. 10, 1900 Katherine Coad; issue.
- h. Alexander Hill⁸, born Aug. 20, 1859; married Oct. 30, 1889, Mary Matilda Sheriff, born May 6, 1860; died Sept. 7, 1909; issue.
- i. Mary Therese Hill 8, born Dec. 26, 1860, Historian, American Clan Gregor Society.
- II. Henrietta Magruder 6, married Jan. 6, 1802, Levin Beall; born Aug. 1780; no issue.
- III. Clarissa Harlowe (christened Harvey) Magruder 6, died Jan. 11, 1858; married Oct. 14, 1806 James Webb, died 1843; issue:
 - 1. Isaac Webb 7, born Oct. 4, 1807; died Oct. 9, 1810.
 - 2. Mary Edge Webb, born May 3, 1810; died Mch. 12, 1894; married Feb. 24, 1835 Henry Williams Woodward; issue:
 - a. William Woodward 8, born Dec 31, 1835; died Mch. 20, 1889; married Sept. 27, 1865, Sarah Abigail Rodman, born Sept. 15, 1840; died Sept. 22, 1913; issue.
 - b. James Thomas Woodward 8, born Sept. 25, 1837; died unmarried Apr. 10, 1910.
 - 3. George Randolph Webb 7, born Dec. 14, 1814.
 - 4. John Nelson Webb 7, born May 29, 1815.
 - 5. Sarah Maria Webb 7, born June 7, 1818; died Mch. 13, 1901.
 - 6. Jane Henrietta Webb, born Aug. 8, 1819; died Oct. 2, 1825.
 - 7. Henrietta Susan Webb, married Follensbee.
 - 8. Clarissa Webb, born May 29, 1825; died June, 1903.
- IV. Emma Corbett Magruder 6, born Apr. 11, 1798; died Sept. 3, 1870. married Jan. 25, 1815, Brooke M. Berry, born 1794; died Feb. 6, 1847; issue:
 - a. William Isaac Berry, born Nov. 16, 1816; died unmarried Sept. 2, 1839.

Isaac Magruder ⁵ married (2) April 3, 1802 (date of license) Ann Hill, born Prince George's County, Md., died testate Prince George's County, Md., 1824, without issue.

I have been assisted in the preparation of this paper by Miss Nannie Hughes Magruder, our Deputy Chieftain for Miss., regarding the descendants of Dr. Thos. Baldwin Magruder; by Miss Mary Therese Hill, our Historian, with regard to the descendants of Isaac Grandison Magruder, Sophia (Magruder) Hill and Mary Thomas (Magruder) Hill; and by Mrs. Henry Barnett McDonald, with regard to the descendants of Dr. Archibald Smith Magruder, to each of whom I now express my appreciation.

THOMAS MAGRUDER OF "THE FOREST"

By Caleb Clarke Magruder, Maryland

Thomas Magruder was the first-born child and only son of Isaac Magruder and Sophia Baldwin, his sisters being, Henrietta, who married Levin Beall, Clarissa Harlowe (christened Harvey), who married James Webb, and Emma Corbett, who married Brooke M. Berry.

His mother was five generations removed from John Baldwin, "The Hero of Warrasquake," and she was the daughter of Thomas Baldwin and Sophia Butt, Neé Duvall. She was of kin to the Chase Family of Maryland, among whom were Samuel Chase, Signer of the Declaration of Independence, and Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States; and Jeremiah Townley Chase, Chief Judge of the Mary-

land Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court of that state.

She was aunt to Gabriel Duvall, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, who was succeeded in that high office by my great-great uncle, Philip Pendleton Barbour, who was a grand nephew of Edmund Pendleton, first Chief Justice of Virginia. Thomas Magruder's father was a planter, who having taken the "Patriot's Oath," Cincinnatus-like left the plow and flew to arms as a private in the 29th Battalion of Montgomery County, Maryland Militia during the Revolutionary War, and later served as such in the 34th Maryland Regiment during the period of the "French Menace."

Thomas Magruder was born on the home-plantation of his parents known as "Knave's Dispute," Montgomery County, Maryland, on November 24, 1779. The statement that he was born in Montgomery County will doubtless prove startling to many of his descendants who have thought that he was born in Prince George's County, Maryland.

I confess to a similarity of thought until considering data for this paper—in fact I told one in this audience within a few weeks that he was Prince George's-born.—but the statement that he was born in Montgomery County is correct, as evidenced by the will of his grand-father Nathan Magruder, in these words: "I give and bequeath to my son Isaac all that land and plantation whereon he now lives to be divided from his Brother John's Part by a line beginning at the end of the first line of a Tract of land called Turkey Thickett——."

"Turkey Thickett" is in Montgomery County, and it was revealed by the searches of the late William Edwin Muncaster that the land mentioned as adjoining "Turkey Thickett" was known as "Knave's Dispute," and further, that it was the home of Isaac Magruder when he lived in Montgomery County. Isaac Magruder was therefore a resident of Montgomery County, at the date of the execution of his father's will in 1781, two years subsequent to the birth of his son, Thomas, and he did not become a resident of Prince George's County, so far as any records show, until 1799, at which time he was a private in the 34th Maryland Regiment of Prince George's County.



Isaac Magruder's death occurred in 1808 at "Arthur's Seat," Prince George's County, but it was his wife's property, and the administration upon his estate shows that he owned 41 slaves and other personalty in

Prince George's and his former home in Montgomery.

March 30, 1799 Thomas Magruder was living with his parents at "Arthur's Seat," as evidenced by the roster of Captain Jacob Duckett's Company of the 34th Maryland Regiment upon which he was listed as Sergeant, and his birth-date given as November 24, 1779, with the further notation, "has a gun." On this same roster his father's birth-date is recorded as 1755. When slightly over twenty years of age Thomas Magruder, on January 4, 1800 (date of marriage license), was united in marriage with Mary Clarke, born in Prince George's County in the year of his birth. She was fifth in descent from Daniel Clarke, Captain of Colonial Militia in Anne Arundel County, Maryland; grand-daughter of Joshua Clarke, First Lieutenant of Prince George's County Militia during the Revolutionary War; and daughter of Caleb Clarke, civil officer (constable) in that County during the last period mentioned. She was great-great-grand daughter of Mareen Duvall, French Huguenot, of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, and her mother-in-law, Sophia (Baldwin) Magruder was his great-grand daughter.

Two of Mary (Clarke) Magruder's brothers amassed considerable fortunes and won political distinction in New York State: Archibald Smith Clarke, who was a member of the 14th Congress, and Staley Nicholls Clarke, who was a member of the 27th Congress. I own a photograph of the latter, given to me by a grandson, showing a large, full face, strong mouth and chin, soft eyes, and an expression of much

benignity.

The donor told me a great-grandson of Staley Nicholls Clarke married a daughter of the late Melville W. Fuller, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. Upon marriage, or very shortly thereafter, Thomas Magruder and his wife, Mary Clarke went to live with his maternal grandfather, Thomas Baldwin, within whose home the elder of his eleven children were born.

He was Quartermaster of the 14th Maryland Regiment, September 9, 1807; and was Quartermaster of the same regiment in the War of 1812.

My father has told me that his grandmother, Mary (Clarke) Magruder, and his uncles had often spoken of his service during that period, and of his participation in the Battle of Bladensburg.

This historic town was less than ten miles from his home, and the British advance thereon was over a route less than four miles away.

Bladensburg is an inglorious field to American arms, but we must recall that the enemy had seen service in the Peninsular and Nepoleonic Wars, while those opposing them were, in the main, made up of raw militia.

Thomas Magruder was reared in the Protestant Episcopal Church, but as a young man became a convert to Catholicism.

As I have heard the legend in connection therewith it is to the effect,



that he requested the presence at his home of the minister then at Holy Trinity Church, some two miles away, to administer baptism to one of his children—I am inclined to think to his second-born child, Isaac Grandison.

It appears there was a rule in that church forbidding infant baptism outside of the church unless the infant was in extremis, or at least ill. The rule had not been strictly adhered to, contrariwise, had become so lax that many were ignorant of it, but the minister appealed to was desirous of reestablishing it, and declined to attend for the purpose requested unless the infant was ill. Shortly thereafter Thomas Magruder joined the Catholic church, but to think that his change of religion was on account of defiance, or due to pique is to offer insult to sense.

The more liberal thought would be that his was an honest change of

faith, probably largely influenced by his wife who was a Catholic.

Some years ago I was given a note from the Jesuit records of Maryland in which it was recorded that a Father General of that Society had recently returned to the United States after a visit to Rome, where he had been given a relic by the Pope for presentation to Thomas Magruder, but what this relic was I have never been able to learn.

January 13, 1804 the will of Thomas Baldwin was admitted to probate, and by its provisions his widow, Sophia, was devised "during her natural life or widowhood" all of decedent's estate—realty and personalty—and at her death all of such property was to pass to his grandson, Thomas Magruder, also named as residuary legatee.

Sophia Baldwin died intestate within a few months of her husband, whereupon Thomas Magruder became possessed in fee of all of his grandfather Baldwin's property, including "my dwelling-plantation with all

the improvements and appurtenances thereunto belonging."

Sophia Baldwin was the only issue of her parents, who at the time of her marriage to Thomas Baldwin was the widow of Thomas Butt, and the daughter of Benjamin Duvall and Sophia Griffith.

Thomas Baldwin was a planter and proprietor of a popular Inn on the "Old Stage Road" between Baltimore, Annapolis, Bladensburg and Washington—the then gate-way to the South—which was well patronized by the celebrities of the day.

This road is now known as "Defense Highway", built by State and Federal aid, and is in large measure the result of my father's untiring interest in its building, as evidence of which Governor Harrington of Maryland presented him the pen used when he signed the law providing for its construction.

Thomas Magruder died August 14, 1830, and his was the first interment on the property which he had inherited from his grandfather Baldwin. I have never heard any description of his personal appearance other than that he was a tall, well-built man who held himself erect, and was very dignified.

His will, written by his wife's nephew, United States Supreme Court Justice Gabriel Duvall, was executed February 1, 1822, and admitted to



probate October 26, 1830. Through it his widow was to retain possession of all of his real estate (during widowhood) until their children were educated, he directing "that my sons Caleb Clarke and Walter Smith shall have a classical education to prepare and fit them for professional characters if they shall be so inclined; and I do direct that my other children shall have a suitable education."

His son Thomas Baldwin was bequeathed \$500 and a slave only, "his education having cost me considerable sums of money" (he had been graduated M. D. from the University of Maryland in 1821). Personalty was bequeathed to the remaining ten children, and a home with their mother provided for his daughters while unmarried. Upon the decease of his widow all of his real estate, excepting the homestead, was to be sold upon terms satisfactory to the majority of his sons then of legal age, his son Thomas Baldwin excepted, and the proceeds divided among his ten children.

It was his wish that the homestead "should be owned and possessed by one of my family"; and with this in view, he directed that upon his widow's death the property should be disinterestedly appraised by "respectable men" chosen by his son Thomas Baldwin and such of his other sons as might then be of legal age, and purchased by said son Thomas Baldwin upon payment of their proportionate shares to his other sons.

In the event that his son Thomas Baldwin failed to become the purchaser of the homestead his right was to pass to testator's second son, Isaac Grandison, and if he failed to exercise the privilege it was to pass to his third son, Caleb Clarke, and thus in succession to his other sons according to seniority.

His eldest daughters, Sophia and Sarah, were bequeathed \$500 and his youngest daughter, Mary Thomas, \$800, "as she is yet to receive her education." Provision was made for advances of money to the children by the executrix, and their daughters were to have their legacies within two years after marriage.

The widow was named as executrix, and if she declined to qualify as such, administration was to pass to his son Isaac Grandison. The Inventory of his personal estate was taken December 17, 1830, and filed January 6, 1831 by Isaac Grandison Magruder who joined with his mother in the administration. It shows the contents of ten rooms, horses, cattle, tobacco, farming implements and 33 slaves valued at a total of \$8,440.44.

Their First Account was filed June 12, 1832, showing sale of tobacco at \$2,066.96, thereby increasing the personal estate to \$10,507.40, and showing a disbursement of \$2,398.03, which reduced the same to \$8,109.37. A First Additional Account was filed June 11, 1833 showing additional collections of \$1,016.94. The Second and Final Account of Mary (Clarke) Magruder, filed October 16, 1847, as surviving executrix indicating as such that Isaac Grandison Magruder was then deceased, showed addi-

tional receipts increasing the personal estate to \$14,534.24, and disbursements of \$6,257.50, leaving for distribution among the heirs \$8,276.74.

In accordance with Thomas Magruder's provisions that his sons Caleb Clarke and Walter Smith should have classical educations they entered the Washington Catholic Seminary, now Gonzaga College, and I have testimonials awarded to the latter for proficiency in geography and Greek, but both are without dates as is a similar testimonial awarded Staley Nicholls for "Perspicuity and Knowledge of the Figures of Speech."

Caleb Clarke Magruder entered the above mentioned institution in the fall of 1826, and his testimonials for the ensuing months of that year show, three for "Proficiency in the Use of the Globes," two for proficiency in French, and the same number for proficiency in Latin and Greek; while for the remainder of the second term there are three testimonials

for French and Greek, and four for Latin.

He was graduated from this institution, and Georgetown University conferred upon him the honorary degree of Master of Arts in 1834. He studied law under his second cousin, Justice Duvall, and all his life adhered strictly to his profession. Walter Smith Magruder died under age in Mississippi, Staley Nicholls Magruder took to the farm, but another son became a "professional character" in the person of Archibald Smith Magruder, M. D. of Jefferson Medical College in 1838.

Mary (Clarke) Magruder survived her husband until the spring of 1864, and upon her death, intestate, she was buried by the side of her husband. My father has thus described her to me: small of statue, with an oval face, blue eyes, and light hair turned to gray, who smoked

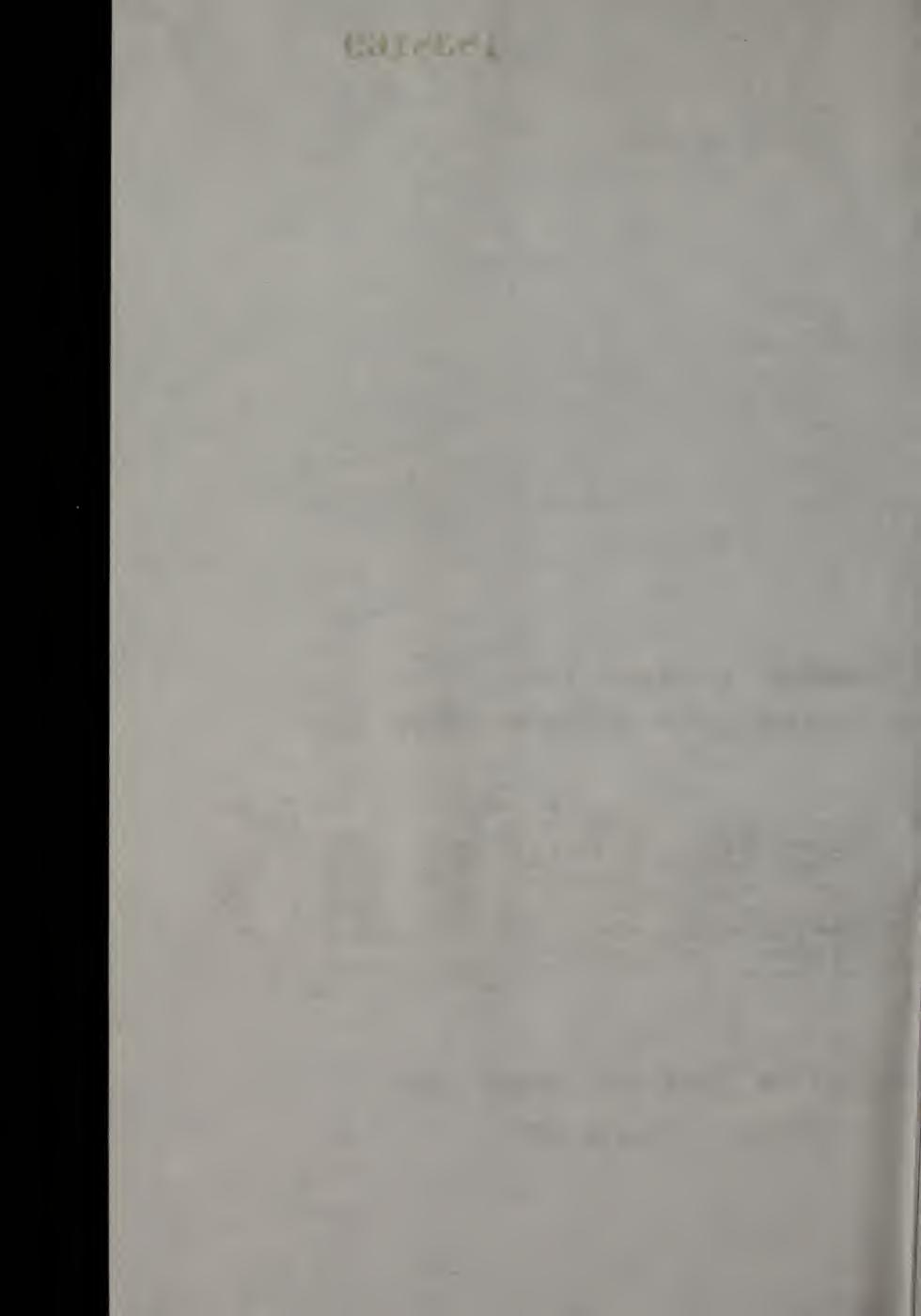
a clay pipe in her latter days.

As stated in Thomas Magruder's will his homestead consisted of 211 acres, and in accordance therewith his eldest son, Dr. Thomas Baldwin Magruder, entered upon its possession at the decease of his mother, but in about two years thereafter he decided to return to Mississippi where he had gone to live shortly after his graduation in medicine. Isaac Grandison Magruder, the second oldest son having predeceased his mother in 1847, the property rights in the homestead vested in the next oldest son, Caleb Clarke Magruder, who acquired the property in fee, increased the acreage to about 300, and gave a deed for it to his son Caleb Clarke. This property lies in three election districts of Prince George's County—Bowie, Queen Anne and Kent, with two public roads causing this political division.

In 1898 my father conveyed to my brother, the late Dr. Ernest Pendleton Magruder, that portion lying in Bowie district; to my brother, Thomas Nalle Magruder, that portion lying in Queen Anne district; and to the writer, that portion lying in Kent district. Upon the death of my brother Dr. Ernest P. Magruder in 1915, my father purchased his portion and gave deed for it to my brothers Mercer Hampton Magruder and Arthur Hooe Staley Magruder, since which time the former has sold his

interest to my brother Arthur (1924).

The old Baldwin house stood on my division of the homestead until



1898, when it was razed and a kitchen built on a part of its rock foundation. Its location was within a few feet of another house built by Thomas Magruder which is now occupied by me as a summer home.

Most of the great aunts and great uncles mentioned in this paper died at a period beyond my recollection, but I remember Uncle Tom, Aunt "Betsy," Uncle Isaac's widow, Aunt "Nardy," Uncle Archie's widow, Aunt Mary Tom and her husband Uncle William Hill, Uncle Jack and

Uncle Staley.

Within my recollection Uncle Staley lived in the old Baldwin house, occupying a second-story room, facing South, which led out to a porch, running the full length of the house, where he slept in summer, and until the house was razed these were known as Uncle Staley's room and Uncle Staley's porch. In the house built by Thomas Magruder, now owned by me, is a room used by Aunt "Betsy," still spoken of as Aunt "Betsy's" room by the third succeeding generation. When, in 1876, Amanda Louise Magruder, granddaughter of Dr. Thomas Baldwin Magruder, affectionately known as "Teenie," visited Maryland to join a party of friends and relatives bound for the Centennial Exhibition in Philadelphia, she occupied this room, and with her diamond engagement ring cut into one of the panes of glass the initials of her fiancé W. B. McL. (William

Brant McLean) which initials are still to be seen.

On my brother Thomas Nalle's portion of the old homestead is a red sandstone showing the initials T. B. (Thomas Baldwin) marking one of the boundary lines. Also on his property is located the old graveyard where, in addition to Thomas Magruder and Mary Clarke, his wife, repose the remains of their descendants: Isaac Grandison Magruder and his wife, Margaret Elizabeth Hill, and their children, Emma Corbett (Magruder) Wilson, Richard Hill Magruder (and his son Francis Calhoun Magruder), Mary Francis Magruder, Henrietta Magruder, Isaac Grandison Magruder, Jr., and John Beall Magruder; Sarah Magruder, Caleb Clarke Magruder (1808-1884) and his wife Mary Sprigg Belt, and their children, Thomas Belt Magruder, John Marshall Magruder, and Mary Rebecca Magruder; Caleb Clarke Magruder (1839-1923) and his wife Bettie Rice Nalle, and their son Dr. Ernest Pendleton Magruder; Edward Walter Magruder and his wife Lizzie Maria Mullikin, and their children, Lilly Magruder, and Beulah Magruder; John Beall Magruder and his wife Mary Anne Hill, and their daughter, Elizabeth Virginia Magruder; Staley Nicholls Magruder; Dr. Archibald Smith Magruder, and his children, Joseph Magruder, Susan Hilleary Magruder, Ella Winifred Magruder, Laura Josephine Magruder, Alice Maude Magruder; and Professor Mike Knaw, a private tutor to Thomas Magruder's children.

The issue of Thomas Magruder and Mary Clarke were: Dr. Thomas Baldwin Magruder, Isaac Grandison Magruder, Sarah Magruder, Sophia Magruder, Caleb Clarke Magruder, John Beall Magruder, Walter Smith Magruder, Staley Nicholls Magruder, Richard Weems Magruder, Dr. Archibald Smith Magruder and Mary Thomas Magruder. Thomas



Magruder had a step-mother when on April 3, 1802, Isaac Magruder was married to Anne Hill. She must have been a wonderful matchmaker judging from the marriages which followed between her Hill nieces and nephews and her Magruder step-children, for Margaret Elizabeth Hill married Isaac Grandison Magruder, Philip Hill married Sophia Magruder, Mary Anne Hill married John Beall Magruder, and William Wilson Hill married Mary Thomas Magruder.

I suppose I missed having a Hill as a paternal grandmother for the reason that the family supply was exhausted—there were no more Hills

to marry.

Thomas Magruder was the son of Isaac Magruder and Sophia Baldwin; grandson of Nathan Magruder and Rebecca Beall; great grandson of John Magruder and Susanna Smith; great-great grandson of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; great-great-great grandson of Alexander Magruder, Maryland immigrant.

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